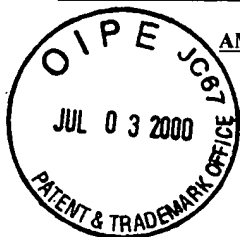


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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Applicants: Harper et al.

Serial No.: 09/266,674

Filed: March 11, 1999

Title: Hydrophobic Vent Incorporated into Cerebral Spinal Fluid Drainage Chamber

Examiner: Simmons, K.

Group Art Unit: 3763

Docket: P-8609.00

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Total Claims	61 -	61 =	0	x 18	\$00.00
Independent Claims	6 -	5 =	1	x 78	\$78.00
Multiple Dependent Claims	No			+ 260	\$
TOTAL					\$78.00

- ☒ Applicant hereby petitions for a 3 month extension of time in the prior application. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor;
- ☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 13-2546 the sum of **\$870.00** for a 3-month extension of time and **\$78.00** for Additional Independent Claims for a total of **\$948.00**.
- ☐ \$240.00 pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97(c) without 37 CFR §1.97(e) certification
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees or credits to Deposit Account No. 13-2546 which may have been overlooked on this Amendment Transmittal with regard to this filing. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed.
- ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, if an extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for an extension of time.

June 28, 2000
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DRAINAGE CHAMBER

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 28, 1999, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

On page 8, line 6, delete "vertical" and insert therefor -horizontal--.

On page 10, line 21 (the second to the last line on page 10), delete "32" and insert therefor -
48--.

On page 11, line 9, delete "filter" and insert therefor -material 48--.

Please replace the originally submitted Figure 5 with the attached redline version of Figure 5.

Please replace the originally submitted Figure 7 with the attached redline version of Figure 7.

In the Claims:

1. (Amended) A drip chamber in a cerebral spinal fluid (CSF) drainage system comprising:

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02 FC:117

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